

CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE

HB 265 - SB 345

February 25, 1999

SUMMARY OF BILL: Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 8, Part 1 by adding a new section that requires truck tractors and semi-trailers to travel in the right-most lane of interstate or multi-lane divided highways, except when passing. A violation of this section is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable only by a fine of \$50.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On February 17, 1999 we issued a fiscal note on this bill which indicated *a not significant increase in state revenues from any fines levied and collected.*

Based on additional information provided by the Department of Transportation, the estimated fiscal impact of this bill is:

Increase State Revenues – Not Significant

**Increase State Expenditures – Less Than \$100,000 One-Time/
Highway Fund**

Increase Local Govt. Revenues – Not Significant

Estimate assumes:

- any fines collected from violators will be less than \$100,000 annually
- signs will be needed to inform the motoring public of the provisions of this bill in order to enforce this requirement. There are approximately 1,073 miles of interstate. Assuming a sign is placed every 40 miles in each direction, a total of 54 signs would be needed at a cost of \$840 a sign for a total cost of \$45,360 for interstate signs. Assuming a similar number of signs would be needed for multi lane divided highways the total estimated cost for signs would be \$90,720.

For informational purposes, it should be noted that the Department of Transportation indicates that at least 922 signs at \$840 per sign are needed to enforce the requirements of this bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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